IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

in re PATENT APPLICATION OF Confirmation No.: 5040

Engel et al. Group Art Unit: 1617

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AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir

This is in response to a final official action dated October 25, 2006, and is timely filed, as it is accompanied by a petition for an extension of time to file in the third month, and the requisite fee.

A request for continued examination (RCE) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.114 and payment of the requisite fee therefor are also submitted with this amendment.